GOVERNOR HUCKABEE ISSUES A REMINDER ABOUT THE ARKANSAS INCOME TAX CHECK-OFF PROGRAM FOR DISASTER RELIEF.

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LITTLE ROCK – Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee wants to remind Arkansas taxpayers about the Arkansas Disaster Relief Program. Act 1181 of 1997 allows taxpayers to make a direct contribution to the Arkansas Disaster Relief Program. Donations to this program will be used by the Office of Emergency Services to help fund relief to victims of last weeks devastating storms.

A Contribution Coupon is included in the 1998 Arkansas Individual Income Tax packages. If you do not have a tax package, you may mail your contribution to: Individual Income Tax Section, P.O. Box 3628, Little Rock, AR 72203, Attn: Clarence Collins. Please mark the outside of the envelope, "Disaster Relief Fund." Make you check payable to: Department of Finance and Administration. The amount you donate will be deductible on your 1999 State Tax Return as a charitable contribution.

Taxpayers can also contribute to the fund by electing to donate a portion of their 1998 refund to the Arkansas Disaster Relief Check off program. Please enter the amount you wish to donate on line 58 on the AR1000 Long Form, or, line 25 on the AR1000S Short Form.